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# THE OYEN NEWS

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**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and a  
**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
To All  
**SCOTT & Co. OYEN**

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS

I wish to take this opportunity to extend to all my Friends and Customers my sincerest wishes for a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

I have always made it my Motto to give to YOU, Prompt Service, Satisfactory Service, and THE BEST GOODS obtainable for the LEAST EXPENDITURE.

To do this, I have and will continue to GUARANTEE every COMMODITY I may sell.

MY Store and services are always at your service, and we always welcome you to inspect our different Lines. We are here to show YOU! Give us the opportunity. Even though you do not feel disposed to purchase, we are at all times glad to go over our different Lines with you.

I also beg to thank you for the esteemed patronage you have accorded me during the past year, which I feel has been mutually beneficial.

I trust the same friendly business relations between us may continue during the coming year, as they have in the past.

**W. C. Hoskins,**  
Always for the best Hardware.

## Local Items

We are making a very special price on Cough and Croup Board to reduce stock. Don't fail to get our prices before purchasing. The Newcastle coal is giving splendid satisfaction. We have it. The White-bark Lumber Co. Ltd.

Mr. and Mrs. John Broden and children of Muhlbach, left for Wilton, North Dakota, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ireland left town on Monday for Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of Kindersley, who have been visiting here this week-end, returned to Kindersley on last Monday.

Mr. L. D. Reindorf, of the Empire Lumber Co., left town for Marengau on Monday.

Dr. H. C. Swartzlander, left for Saskatoon on Monday.

Miss B. Richards left town on Monday morning for Watrous, Sask., where she will spend Christmas and the New Year with her mother.

A meeting of the Oyen Local of the U. F. A. No. 693, will be held on Saturday afternoon next, Dec. 26th, at 2 o'clock. Important business. Every member is asked to be present.

## Masquerade Ball at the Billiard Hall

A very happy crowd gathered at the Billiard Hall last Friday night when a masquerade ball was given by Mr. J. Odden. Darkholder's orchestra, which furnished the music, was probably happy in better form and gave the utmost satisfaction to the dancers.

It was very evident from the wide assortment of costumes worn that many of those present, particularly the ladies, had spared neither time, expense or trouble to successfully conceal their identity. Some of the costumes while very dainty were somewhat marred by the groupings misused to conceal the wearer's identity. The prize for the best costume was awarded Mrs. H. Hancock, who dressed as Martha Washington, looked very charming and the prize for the most comical costume was awarded to Mr. Cooper, Miss Johnston, as a lady of the early Victorian period, and Miss Peterson as "The daughter of the regiment" looked very sweet, and their costumes deserve special mention.

Supper was served in the Oyen Cafe at midnight, after which dancing was continued till about 4.00 a.m.

## THE NEWS

Wishes 'AN' 'ES Readers

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS

And A

## BRIGHT and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Remember the dates in the Superior School House on New Year's Day.

Mr. Young, of Seal, has opened up a bakery dept. in the Oyen Cafe.

Mr. A. Ryerson of Wetaskiwin, Alta., who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gilbertson in this vicinity, registered at the Alberta Hotel on Tuesday. He left town the following morning for Valley City, North Dakota, where he will spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

The presence of the band at the rink on Tuesday night, was much appreciated by the skaters. The band will play every Tuesday night at the rink.

Four of the local boys who joined the Second Canadian Contingent, arrived in town today to spend Christmas with their friends.

First Class Bread, Pies, Cookies, etcetera, may be bought at the Oyen Cafe.

Miss L. T. Audibert returned from Calgary last Friday, quite recovered from her recent illness.

Don't forget the Wrestling Match on New Year's Eve.

On Wednesday next, a Christmas Tree and entertainment will be held in the Oyen Methodist Church, at 7.30 p. m.

## Fire at Cereal

Hotel and Pool Hall Destroyed

A disastrous fire, which destroyed the Hotel and Pool Hall, broke out in Cereal at about 1.30 on Monday morning. The cause of the fire is unknown, but is thought that an overheated furnace was the cause of the conflagration. Both buildings were insured.

Awakened by the cries of "fire" the guests and staff at the hotel made a hurried escape from the burning building, while the remainder of the inhabitants of the village quickly arrived on the scene. As the village had no fire protection, it is unfortunate that the whole place was not wiped out. The Chinook Fire brigade came down to lend assistance, but by the time they arrived the buildings in the neighbourhood were out of danger. Buildings occupying the same site were destroyed by a fire two years ago.

Lost—somewhere between town and Wallace, Fisher's place, on Saturday, December 19th, a gray fur muff. Will finder kindly leave same at the office of the Oyen News, and receive reward.

## Grand Wrestling Match

in OYEN on

## New Year's Eve.

See Announcement on Page Five

## Lamps ! Lamps !

The long winter evenings are here!

We have a good assortment of Gasoline and Coal Oil lamps and Electric Pocket flashers.

Foot Warmers and Bricks.

... AT ...

## A. A. OWENS'

"The Hardware Man"

## A Merry Christmas To You

And that the New Year will bring a speedy termination of the war in Europe, prosperity to our Country and health, wealth and happiness to you is the sincere wish of

Yours respectfully

## S. A. MILLER, AND COMPANY

Successors to King & Irving







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Shoing a Speciality

Oyen,

Alta.

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Tickets on Sale, Dec. 1st, to 31st.

Choice of Routes. First Class.

Three Months Limit.

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Very Low Reduced Fares

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Five Month's Limit.

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Canada

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## OYEN, ALBERTA

Rates, \$1.50 &amp; \$2.00 a day

Good Meals

Good Service

Steffensen &amp; Bickett,

Proprietors

**FALL PRICES**

My prices for beef this fall will be on HIND QUARTERS 14c lb. FRONT QUARTERS 12c lb. Other cuts at lower prices

I also sell fancy Pork Sausages, Bologna, Wafers, and Blood Sausages, FISH Salmon, Halibut, Mackerel, Haddock, Oysters and more.

Special: Whitefish and Fresh Herring

WHOLE HOGS 10 cts. lb.

HALF 12 cts. lb.

JAMES COUPER,

The Meat Market.

Oyen, Alta.

**THE OYEN NEWS**

OYEN, ALBERTA.

A paper published every Thursday, in the interests of Oyen and the surrounding districts.

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Chas. L. Dunford, Editor.

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Accounts are rendered monthly and are due when rendered.

Changes for Display advertising must be in this office by Tuesday noon for publication in the following Thursday's issue.

OYEN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Dec. 27th.

Sunday School 2:30 p.m.

Preaching Service 7:30 p.m.

Wavy Plain 11 a.m.

Kirkwall 3:30 p.m.

Rev. Geo. A. Steele, Pastor.

H. C. Swartzlander

M. D.

PHYSICIAN

McArthur Block OYEN, ALTA.

Wawanesa Fire

Insurance

DEERING and MCCORMICK

IMPLEMENTS

C. A. GILDERS,

AGENT

Oyen, Alta.

**Christmas Nineteen Fourteen**

"Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men."

That was nineteen hundred and fourteen years ago.

And the nineteen hundred and fourteenth anniversary of the proclamation of that doctrine will see a larger number of the human race engaged in the work of mutual slaughter and destruction than any Christmas Day has ever seen before.

Some people will tell us that there is only one conclusion to be drawn from this: that Christianity has failed . . .

A Happy Christmas indeed it will be, this year of grace 1914, if that is true.

To me, however, it seems far, far otherwise. I think that there has never been, in the history of the world, so Christian a Christmas as this one. There has never been a Christmas when so many men were willingly, quietly, heroically, laying down their lives to defend their families, their neighbours, and their country from the tyranny of enemies. Is there, for example, anything unchristian in the entry of Canadians into this war? They have not gone into it for selfish reasons; we could all of us easily have covered at home under the protection of the Munroe Doctrine; or while admitting that we were at war, we could have done nothing but prepare a half-hearted defense of our own cities in case of an improbable invasion and left it to the armies and navies of the Allies to fight out the destiny of the world on the plains of Belgium and Poland. I hold that the action of Canada in enlisting and supporting troops for this war is a supremely Christian act, the result of love and freedom for ourselves and our neighbours, of fidelity and gratitude to the land which founded us and made us great, of devotion to a high ideal of human rights and liberties and an abiding trust in truth and honesty between nations as between men. What is true of us is true of Britain. Britain too would have bought an inglorious and perilous peace, by the sacrifice of her allies and the abandonment of those whom she has sworn to protect. France was compelled to fight.

She could have bought peace only at the cost of her national existence. But is that any reason why we should not admire the unspendable courage and devotion with which her entire population has faced the ghastly odds that have been brought against her? Much the same is true of Russia she did not seek, nor even prepare for this war, until an act of gross and tyrannical aggression against her weaker friend and ally, Serbia, forced it upon her . . .

The example, teachings and inspiration of Christ, it seems to me, were given to us to use in the world as we find it here and now, a mixed up, wicked, illogical, cruel world, but within the world as God made it, and a splendid place for the development of the Christian virtues of self-abnegation, honesty and purity of heart. . . .

I see an unusually large number of people, in Canada and in Europe, using that example and that inspiration as they were certainly not using them during the recent piping times of peace, and I know that within their hearts the true Spirit of Christmas, which is simply the Spirit of Christ, has found a new lodgment.—Edward Beck in Beck's Weekly.

**R. M. of Golden Center**

The 125th meeting of the Council of Golden Center R. M. was held Dec. 7th. Members were all present. Minutes were read and confirmed.

Secretary read letter from M. J. Westphal thanking the council for attention during sickness.

Secretary read letter from Hall Insurance Board re. funds due them.

Kirkpatrick—to accept commendation and inform Dept. of Municipal Affairs we cannot secure funds and ask aid, carried.

Kirkpatrick—that secretary write Dept. of Education that we cannot meet demands made by School Districts and ask aid, for aid, carried.

Secretary read letter from Dept. saying all taxes in arrears except 1914, must be paid in order to vote.

Secretary read letter from R. M. Sounding Creek, re. James Fife a destitute.

Secretary read letter from Dept. of Agriculture re. Seed Grain to be distributed in Spring.

Kirkpatrick—to table communication till next meeting, carried.

Wilson—to pay the following accounts:

J. Code wages to date \$58.00

C. Van Alstine wages 32.00

Gardiner—to pay account of Western Municipal News, election supplies \$13.25, carried.

Tait—to pay account of J. E.

Broten, evener 125 1/2th 2.25, Carried. For Kirkpatrick, Gardiner, Pierce and Tait, Against, Wilson and Pettenger.

Gardiner—to pay account of Big Head Agricultural Association as such funds are available, and the secretary to inform them of the same, carried.

Kirkpatrick—to present to representatives the names of John Crowley, carried.

Tait—to return to John Crowley account of Dr. Swartzlander stating the council refuses to pay this and all doctor accounts against him, carried.

Kirkpatrick—to recommend to the new council to send delegate to convention of Association of L. I. D. S. and R. M. to take up matter and if it is not acted upon send delegate to Edmonton, carried.

Pierce—that secretary write J. A. McColl, M. P. and ask him to do all he can to have the R. M. Act so amended that each Municipality may regulate the Hazel Law within its boundaries, carried.

Pierce—to pay account of L. Michaels \$2.10 to apply on rent, carried.

Tait—to present to L. Michaels six feet of culverts, carried.

Gardiner—to charge Michaels \$1.00 for six feet of culverts, For Pettenger, Nelson, Gardiner and Kirkpatrick, Against, Pierce and Tait.

Kirkpatrick—to adjourn, Carried.

# Implements

## Waggon and Buggies

### Cream Separators

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Licensed Auctioneer  
OPEN FOR SALES

**GOOD MEALS**

Cleanliness and good service is our first aim. By serving good wholesome meals at reasonable prices we hope to secure and hold your patronage.

Try a Meal next time you are in town.

**THE OYEN CAFE**

ELLIS &amp; BADGLEY,

Proprietors.

# THE OYEN BILLIARD HALL.

Four Tables --- Recently Re-covered

Cigars, Cigarettes,  
and Tobacco,

J. A. ODDEN,

Manager,

**Special Offer!**

Until further notice we offer

"The Oyen News"

and the

"Weekly Free Press  
& Prairie Farmer"

for one year

for

**\$1.50**

Take advantage of this exceptionally  
good offer now

Leave your orders at the office  
of The Oyen News

## FINE PRINTING

Our work is making many satisfied customers for us, because Neatness and Cleanliness combined with good taste in composition is our first aim.

We have a large and widely assorted stock to choose from and solicit your patronage.

Auction Sale Bills  
Posters and Handbills  
Letterheads and Envelopes  
Billheads and Statements  
Meal Tickets, menus  
Circular Letters  
Reports and Notes  
Show Cards, etc.

The Oyen News Job Print.

## A Christmas Litany

From worsted slippers and from jars, hand painted in pale, sickly hues, from men who give their wives new cars, then go about and spend the news, and brag of how they spent their "kale" - why should the wealthy give too? Oh, from his weary, countless tale

Good Santa Claus deliver us!  
From Photo albums made of pluck, from Yuletide stuff that artists (?) do from maiden aunts who send us socks when we would fain have cigarettes from ninety-eight cent gilded clocks from bargain counter statuettes and from the man who sends cigars he saved from Christmas 1904, and from the man who talks of Mays and backfinks, and nothing more - He does his best, the day to morn - Why should he shake and shiver thus? - and from the painted Calendar!

Good Santa Claus deliver us!  
From men who tell the younger brood that, Santa, you are just a faker, from ginger ale when we're in mood - come and old Yuletide cheer to take from those who tell us Christmas time is just a worryment to man, and from the Christmas postcard crime, and from plum pudding in a sun from men who eat until they seem like auto beasts carnivorous, and from the after Christmas dream Good Santa Claus deliver us!

## Locals

Mrs. Barbara and daughter left this morning for Saskatoon, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

A Gun Club Shoot will be held on New Year's Day at 2:30 p.m.

Miss Anna Korpacz, arrived from Edmonton, last Saturday morning and has accepted a position on the hotel staff.

Mr. Fred Scott and Miss Ruby Scott left for Calgary this morning where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanscock and son left for Calgary this morning, where they will spend Christmas.

Dr. T. R. Whaley of Alaska arrived in town this morning and drove down to Pelly.

We regret to learn that Mr. G. Howe is lying somewhat seriously ill at his ranch.

Everyone in attendance reports the dance as the best yet. 46 couples were present.



## Greeting Cards

... FOR ...

CHRISTMAS

... AND ...

NEW YEAR.

Exceptional values

5c to 25c each.

The Oyen News



## A Surprise Party

The friends and neighbors of John M. Taylor met at his residence last evening in honor of his birthday as well as to congratulate him on his election to the council.

It was a complete surprise, but "Jack" and his "Gude" wife were equal to the occasion.

They immediately escorted their friends to the Springfield Hotel House, where Scotch, Irish and Highland Scotchmen were the order of the evening.



**JACK TAYLOR**  
(of Saskatoon)

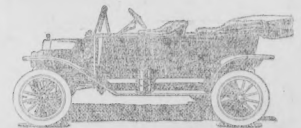
(The man who was given the decision over Cutler of Chicago World's Champion Catch-as-Catch-Can Wrestler)



**CLAUS CLAUSON**  
(of Govan)

Champion of Last Mountain Valley.

**The Men Who will Wrestle Here,  
New Year's Eve.**



"MADE IN CANADA"

Now's the time to prepare  
for next year's harvest

Your harvest will be bigger, better next year, if you put in more time on the farm. Drive a Ford - and reduce from a matter of hours to a matter of minutes, time spent in those necessary trips to town during the busy season. Seventeen thousand Canadian farmers drive the Ford because it's a time-saver - money-saver - and pleasure-giver.

Ford Touring Car \$300, Ford Runabout \$200, Ford Coupe \$250, Ford Sedan \$150, Ford Town Car \$200 (all cars sold fully equipped f.o.b. Ford, Ont.). Buyers of these practical cars will share in profits. If we sell 50,000 more Ford cars between August 1, 1914 and August 1, 1915.

**Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd.**

P. H. Peterson, Agent at Oyen, Alberta



W. N. U. 1030

"Object? Why, my boy, I'm delighted to have you become an artist, provided, of course, that you do draw on me."

# Sore Eyes

Eyes inflamed by exposure to Sun, Dust and Wind are quickly relieved by **Murine Eye Remedy**. No Smarting, Just Eye Comfort.

Your Druggist's 50c per Bottle. **Murine Salve** in Tubes 25c. For Sale at the **Eye Remedy Druggists or Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago**

Two deacons once disputing about a proposed new burying ground, remarked: "I'll never be buried round as - ag as I L."

"What an obstinate man!" said another. "If my life is spared, I will be buried round as - ag as I L."



The logo of the American Petroleum Institute (API) is a diamond-shaped emblem. It features a central circular design with a torch and a gear. The text "AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE" is written around the top and sides of the diamond, and "FOUNDED 1919" is at the bottom.







**Workingmen**  
If you can save a few dollars a month, you are invited to open a Savings account with The Bank of Toronto. Small deposits are as well cared for as large ones. A dollar will start a Savings account, and interest is added to Savings Balances half yearly.

**THE BANK OF TORONTO**  
B. E. Kelly, Manager.  
Oyen, Alta.

### HORSE BLANKETS

All lined and quilted, sizes  
6 feet, 6 feet 6 inches, and 7 feet.

Prices from \$3.25 a Pair up to \$9.50

**The Harness Shop, OYEN, ALT.**

Sole Agency for this District.

**ALBERTA LIVERY,  
FEED & SALE STABLE**

**Carting and Draying  
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**Terms Reasonable**

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OYEN,

ALBERTA.

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We have generous Clubbing Offers with all the leading papers, which you should not fail to take advantage of.

Call in and ask for our list. We can get you any paper or any magazine.

You should not be without your local paper, and if you are not already a subscriber **SUBSCRIBE NOW to--**

**The Oyen News**

### CLASSIFIED ADS.

**STRAYED**—from W. J. 23-28-4 one, bay gelding, Clyde type, white stripe on face and hind legs white, weight about 1200 lbs. Information leading to recovery, will be rewarded. John A. McArthur, Oyen, Alta.

**WANTED—AT ONCE.** Subscription to the Oyen News and copies for job printing. We know that our word will please you and guarantee satisfaction. Send in a trial order today.

**FOR SALE**—Two registered Jersey bull calves from the best stock. Here is an opportunity to improve your dairy stock. Going quick at \$50.00 each. A. G. Holmes, Abasak, Sask.

**FOR SALE**—pure bred Yorkshire boar one year and a half old and in good shape with pedigree, \$20.00. Pure bred Barred Rock and Rhode Island shipped in directly from Dominion Experiment Farm, Ottawa and Pure bred cockle of same—skinner \$1.50 each. Albert Bakken, W. of 2-28-5, Oyen, Alta.

**STRAYED**—from Oyen about three weeks ago, one dark bay mare, halter and shank on, ten years old. Finder please notify P. H. Peterson, Oyen, Alberta. Reward offered.

### FOR SALE

Two well drilling outfits, 500 feet capacity—in first class running order. Owner will accept one-fourth cash and balance of payment in horses or cattle. Apply at the office of the Oyen News.

### AT THE ELEVATORS.

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|----------------------------|------|
| Wheat, No. 1 Northern..... | 97c  |
| No. 2 ".....               | 94c  |
| No. 3 ".....               | 84c  |
| Flax.....                  | 1.08 |
| Oats.....                  | 32c  |
| Barley.....                | 65c  |

### W. C. T. U. Meeting

Mrs. A. Livingston representing the Provincial W. C. T. U. delivered an address in the Methodist Church Tuesday evening Dec. 15th. She gave an interesting account of the inception of the W. C. T. U. shortly after the American Civil War. She also outlined some of the activities of the Association. Besides its endeavor to assist in the overthrow of the organized liquor traffic. It engages in general missionary work, seeks to protect and further the interest of women and especially to promote morality and purity among the people.

She urged upon the audience to use their influence and vote to secure Provincial Prohibition, when the matter will be submitted to the people next summer.

Wednesday afternoon she addressed A. Wagon's meeting on the subject of purity. A local branch of the W. C. T. U. may be organized later.

### Additional Items

Mrs. C. E. Moffet and daughter of Abasak, arrived in town this morning and will spend the holidays with relatives.

D. A. McDonald, a former resident of Clipper and a gentleman well known in this valley, now residing at Medicine Hat, Alta. Canada, arrived in Clipper last Saturday evening, for an extended visit with his brother, James McDonald and family, and his host of friends in the Nonsuch valley. We met Mr. McDonald for a few moments Wednesday evening and it seemed like olden times to again take him by the hand. He tells us that during the past two or three years he has secured for himself a good farm and that two of his sons have also secured good farms. We are glad to know that he, and they, have done so well since their residence in the Dominion. —The Arctic Prospector.

### Pleasant Evening Spent at Mr. W. McGaffin's Place

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McGaffin and family last week, when a large party of friends paid them a surprise visit.

Dancing formed the chief attraction and the music for this occasion was furnished by: Mr. Norton, accordion, Messrs. Stillings and Funnell, first and second violin, and Mr. Neil Leitch, fiddle. During the evening Councillor Taylor favored our appreciative audience with a solo, "Come back to me."

Dainty refreshments were served at 12 p. m.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Stillings, Mr. and Mrs. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. McGaffin, Mr. and Mrs. Dorek, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Cheavins, Mrs. Gilbertson, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Revell, Miss McGaffin, Miss L. Gibson, Miss Violet Norton, and the Messrs. McNee, Leitch, Rutherford, Tagger, H. Marsden, Ganser, Funnell, Curry, C. Moore, Thompson, J. McGaffin and Wm. McGaffin.

### Golden Valley U. F. A.

The annual meeting of the "Golden Valley" local union of the U. F. A. (No. 882) was held on December 19th.

The report from the entertainment and box social committee was most gratifying and showed that much progress had been made by this branch of the organization. The building committee reported that lumber for the barn will be on ground ready for erection on Monday, December 21st, when all the members are requested to lend a helping hand.

W. E. Gilmore was appointed as delegate to attend the U. F. A. Convention which will be held in Edmonton next month.

The election of officers for the next year was as follows:

President—Robert McCallum  
Vice-President—W. E. Gilmore  
Sec.-Treas.—James Smith  
Directors—Berg, Forrester, McKenzie and Cope. Auditor, Geo. Horton.

### He Saw Him.

Roars of laughter came from the manager's office as C. Mc-M. quietly stepped out and closed the door behind him. "Mr. K. is too busy to see you at present," he said politely.

"I'm sorry" said P. H. P., who had called on business. "Will you go back and tell Mr. K. that I have got two stories just as good as the one he's just heard. If he'll let me in to tell them? (The impossible feature of this story is, that P. H. P. does not tell stories.—Ed.)

### He says he is, But is he?

Bank clerk: "As I am going to duty, I would like more salary."

Manager: "How much more do you want?"

B. C. "Ten dollars a week."

Manager: "Good gracious. How many women are you going to marry?"

### Tough Luck.

He held the mistletoe aloft. And in the darkness kissed her; She switched the light on suddenly. And lo! it was — his sister.

### IF YOU REQUIRE

**Life Insurance  
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Real Estate  
or a Loan**

Call on or Write to

**W. R. Meacham,**

Issuer of Marriage Licenses.

Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Oyen.

Alberta.

Wishing You

**A Merry Christmas**

And A

**Prosperous**

**New Year**

**The Acadia Grain Co., Ltd.,**

P. H. PETERSON, Manager.

We have now a complete stock of hard and soft coal including:

**Rosedale lump - Newcastle Stove**

**Alberta Block lump**

**Pennsylvania Nut**

**Galt lump**

We are always in a position to give good coal at attractive prices. Try us and be convinced.

**The Beaver Lumber Co., Ltd.**

H. Hancock,

(Manager.)

**STAMPEDE CAFE**

**MEALS AT ALL HOURS**

Everything First Class. Bakery Confectionery

Tobacco

Rooms

**WONG HEE, Prop.**